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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 1887.

Intimations.

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Books.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—Sums less than \$1. or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.

3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may, if of their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at their usual deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—Interest at the rate of 3% per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—Correspondence is to the business of the Bank if marked *On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business* is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and Colombo.

7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

JOHN WALTER,

Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, June 7, 1887. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up CAPITAL..... \$7,500,000
RESERVE FUND..... \$4,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO-
PRIETORS..... \$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—M. GROTE, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—C. D. BOTTOMLEY, Esq.
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H. HOPFUS, Esq.
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Thomas JACKSON, Esq.
Acting Chief Manager—JOHN WALTER, Esq.
MANGER.
E. C. CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—London and County
Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Fixed Deposits:—

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.

6 " 4 per cent. "

12 " 5 per cent. "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial ports in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JOHN WALTER,

Acting Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 26, 1887. 363

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of the late Mr. GEORG THEODOR SIEMSEN in our Firm ceased on the 24th November, 1886; and that of Mr. PAUL GERHARD HUBER on the 31st December, 1886.

Mr. JACOB RUFF has been authorized to sign our Firm per Procuratum from this date.

SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong and China, 14th February, 1887. 310

THE SHANGHAI MARINE ENGINEERS' MUTUAL INSURANCE SOCIETY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned has been appointed SUB-AGENT at this Port for the above Society.

By Order of the Directors,

JOHN W. KINGHORN,

17, Praya Central.

Hongkong, April 16, 1887. 919

Business Notices.

Summer.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

ARE NOW SHOWING NEW GOODS IN THEIR

GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTING DEPARTMENT,

including MANY NOVELTIES in—

UNDERSHIRTS and DRAWERS.

Fancy and Plain SUMMER HALF-HOSE.

New LAWN TENNIS JERSEYS.

SILK and WOOL and SILK TENNIS SHIRTS.

Fancy CAMBRIE SCARVES and TIES.

The Newest SUMMER CRAVATS.

BATHING COSTUMES and DRESSES.

LADIES' Fancy BATH WRAPS.

BATH TOWELS and BATH COATS.

UMBRELLAS and RAIN COATS.

LADIES' WATERPROOF CLOAKS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.'s Social Extra Thin CAMBRIE SHIRTS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.'s 'TROPICAL' FELT HATS.

TERAI, SOFT FELT, and TENNIS HATS.

SUN HATS and STRAW HATS.

A full Assortment of SUMMER BOOTS, TENNIS SHOES, and TENNIS BATS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, May, 1887. 750

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned are SOLE AGENTS for

Hongkong and Manila for the Sale of

THE MONTSERATT LIME JUICE,

AND THE MONTSERATT LIME JUICE

CORDIALS.

A. S. WATSON & CO., Ltd.

Hongkong, May 3, 1887. 364

CHAS. J. GAUPP & CO.,

Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,

Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths,

Opticians and Optical Goods,

VOGLANDER & GOLDFINGER

BINOCULARS and TELESCOPES,

KRISTOFFER & CO., LONDON

NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC and

METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS,

VOGLANDER & GOLDFINGER

NAUTICAL CHARTS,

NAUTICAL BOOKS,

English SILVER & ELECTRO-PLATED WARE,

CHRISTIE & CO., ELECTRO-PLATED WARE,

GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY,

in great variety.

DIAMOND S.

—

DIAMOND JEWELLERY,

A Splendid Collection of the Latest LONDON

PATTERNS, at very moderate prices. 742

PUNJOM AND SUNGHE DUA

SAMANTAN MINING COM-

PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given to the SHARE-

HOLDERS of the above Company that

in pursuance of Article 11 of the Company's Articles of Association a FINAL CALL of \$90.00 (NINETY-FIVE

DOLLARS) per Share will be made on the 17th June next, Payable to the Undersigned.

JOHN WILLMOTT,

Secretary.

Hongkong, May 17, 1887. 936

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned are forwarding to the

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Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

TO-MORROW EVENING,
the 19th May, 1887.

GRAND COMEDIAN BRINNELL

M. A. R. RIGBY,
the popular Stage Manager of
SALINGER'S ENGLISH OPERA
BOUFFE COMPANY.

Business Manager, - Mr. N. SALINGER,
Stage Manager, - M. A. RIGBY.

The piece selected for this occasion will be
GILBERT & SULLIVAN'S
"Aesthetic Comedy" in 2 Acts,
entitled:

'PATIENCE,'
on
'BUNTHORNE'S BRIDE.'

CHARACTERS:

Colonel Calverley Officers M. F. D'Ede.
Major of G. Wilson.
Murgatroyd Dragoon " H. Salinger.
Lieut. of Guards " Arthur Rigby.
Duke of Dunstable Guards " A. Fawcett.
Reginald Bunthorne Poet " A. Wilson.
Bunthorne Architect " Mrs. Alice Wilson.
Lady Jester Raptur " Mrs. Alice Bennett.
Lady Angela " Miss Alice Bennett.
Lady Sophie Maidens " Miss Alice Bennett.
Patiented (A Dairy Maid) " Miss Alice Bennett.
Chorus of Dragoon Guards.

SPLENDID NEW COSTUMES AND
APPOINTMENTS.

Musical Director, Mr. H. W. POWERS WOOD.
Leader of Orchestra, Mr. C. SCHREIDER.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:
Dress Circle and Stalls, \$2.
Back Seats, \$1.

Military and Sailors in uniform, Half
Price, to Back Seats only.

To avoid disappointment secure your Seats
early.

Reserve Seats may be booked at Messrs.
KELLY & WALSH'S, LIMITED, where a Plan
of the Hall may be seen.

Doors open at 8.30. Commence at 9 p.m.
Hongkong, May 18, 1887. 927

INSURANCES.

LANOASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL, TWO MILLION STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1887. 100

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London, or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,
Hongkong, July 25, 1887. 495

NOTICES to Consignees.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Iphigenia, Captain VONTEER,
having arrived from the above Ports,
Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their
Goods in the exception of Opium, Treas-
ures and Valuables—are being landed and stored
at their risk at the Company's God-
owns, whence delivery may be obtained
immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless
otherwise directed, from the Consignees
on the 23rd Inst., at noon, to the
VANCOUVER, B.C., via KOBE and YOKO-
HAMA, on SATURDAY, the 4th June, at
3 p.m.

To be followed by S.S. BATAVIA,
on the 25th June.

These steamers, formerly in the CUNARD
Service, have received New Engines and
Boilers, and can maintain a speed at sea of
one and a half knots per hour.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or
before MONDAY, the 23rd May, 1887, or they
will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DU CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, May 13, 1887. 909

NOTICES to Consignees.

THE BEN LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM LIVERPOOL, LONDON AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Bonavita*, Captain
John Clark, having arrived from the
above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are
hereby requested to SEND IN THEIR BILLS
or LADING FOR COUNTERSIGNATURE BY THE
UNDERSIGNED; and to TAKE IMMEDIATE
DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside.

Full Particulars can be obtained on
application to the SENIOR COMMISSIONARY
OFFICER, Commissariat and Transport
Office, between the hours of 10 a.m. and
1 p.m.

Letter to be accompanied by a Drawing
showing the general plan of Launch.

The Secretary of State for War does not
bind himself to accept the lowest or any
other tender.

Commissariat and Transport Office,
Queen's Road, Hongkong, 17th May, 1887. 946

To-day's Advertisements.

ARMY CONTRACTS.

THE Undersigned, will be Re-
ceived at the undermentioned Office,
until 12 o'clock, Noon, on THURSDAY,
the Twenty-sixth day of May, 1887, for the
CONSTRUCTION of a STEAM LAUNCH
for the WAR DEPARTMENT.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 17, 1887.—

China, German steamer, 1,600 P. Haye,
Bangkok May 11, General YUEN FAH
Hong.

May 18.—

Lombard, British steamer, 1,720 G. C.
Brooks, Bangkok May 11, Rice YUEN FAH

Yedan, German steamer, from Whampoa.
Stratford, British steamer, 1,688 O. W.
Pensson, Norwegian May 12, Coal and
General—ADAMSON, BELL & CO.

Phu Quoc, French steamer, 180, Orthion,
Hainan May 12, General—CHINESE
Kwang Lee, Chinese str., 1,508, Wells,
Shanghai May 15, General—C. M. S. N.
Co.

Amoy, British steamer, 814, R. Kohler,
Shanghai May 16, General—SIEMSEN & CO.

Nautius, German cruiser, 756, Captain
Von Hoven, Nagasaki May 13.

Dulay, British steamer, 532, J. Watt,
Ralphson May 16, General and Treasurer
value at \$127,110. A. R. MACKY.

VALS by our Barrister PAGREN.—

The British Contract Packet—

May 18, 1887.—

Post Office Notices.

MAILS will close:

For SWATOW & SHANGHAI—

Per Katsing, at 11.30 a.m., on Thurs-
day, the 19th inst., instead of as
previously notified.

For SHANGHAI—

Per Peking, at 4 p.m., on Thursday,
the 19th inst.

For SINGAPORE—

Per Port Japau, at 4.30 p.m., on Thurs-
day, the 19th inst., instead of as
previously notified.

For SAIGON—

Per Fort Augustus, at 4.30 p.m., on Thurs-
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For HONGKONG—

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The Spanish steel ram cruiser *Alfonso*, built by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. for the Spanish Government, went on a "builder's trial" for speed yesterday. The measured mile was run three times, but as one of the casing joints was blown out and one of the feed pumps would not work properly, the full pressure of steam could not be carried. Notwithstanding these defects, however, the *Alfonso* attained a speed of over twelve and a half knots per hour, over half a knot more than her contract speed. When everything is in proper working order, it is expected she will easily attain a speed of thirteen knots. After the trials were completed, the vessel went round the island, accomplishing the distance in two hours and a quarter.

The *Mercury* bears that the buying of tea at Hankow proceeds slowly, and that the *Glendore* is likely to be the first steamer to get away.

Dr. Joseph Parker, of the City Temple, was invited to Brooklyn to pronounce the ology upon Henry Ward Beecher, and it is almost certain he will accept the honour. In that event Dr Parker will leave England early in June.

Mr E. M. Satow, C.M.G., British Minister Resident and Consul General for Siam, left Bangkok for Europe on Thursday, the 7th instant. Mr Satow's health has long been unsatisfactory, so much so latterly as to necessitate an immediate change.

The British Matron (says the *Bangkok Times*) has at last turned up in Bangkok. We hear that a certain lady no longer visits the Gardens on Saturdays because a couple of very innocent looking stone nymphs have lately been fixed up near the lawn tennis ground.

A TELEGRAM in the *Rangoon Gazette* reads:—Constantinople, 29th April.—Sir H. Drummond Wolff has proposed that the evacuation of Egypt by the British should take place in five years. The Turkish Commissioners have rejected this proposal and have asked the Palace for further directions.

SEVERAL Oriental journals announce that King Mongkod had a triple motive in going to England. He wanted to see Lord Salisbury about the possible complications in Europe; he wished to get a Congo loan negotiated in London; and he hoped to arrange a marriage between his youngest daughter, the Princess Clementine, and Prince Edward of Wales.

The *Bangkok Times* hears it rumoured that a complimentary dinner is to be given to Mr E. B. Mitchell at the Oriental Hotel, by the British residents in Bangkok, in recognition of the great services he has conferred on the community by his ability and a superior legal knowledge, resulting in the total withdrawal of the Secretary of State of the obnoxious poll-tax.

The C. M. S. N. Co. are to be congratulated upon the great improvements that have been made to their steamer *Yungching*, who has had a piece cut off her stern, and her bow has been lengthened. She has also had 18 ton boilers put into her. She is intended to bring strawbaid from Luchow, on the North coast of Shantung, to Chuchow.—N.C.D. News.

THERE are now (says the *Shawoo* of the 14th instant) on the Hankow market 165 chops of Hui-Kwang tea, amounting to about 133,000 chongs, including last year's and new season's tea; 395 chops of Ning-chow and Keemoon, amounting to 161,000 chongs. Near one half of Ning-chow and Keemoon, and one quarter of Hui-Kwang new season's tea have already arrived at Hankow.

SAYS the *Shanghai Courier* of the 14th instant:—By the arrival of the s.s. *Hecate*, from Tianjin to day, we learn that on the evening of Tuesday, the 10th inst., a fire at N. W. square occurred. The basket which hung down all the houses belonging to Siaon Giai-han's street, but fortunately no lives were saved. This probably happened before the performance took place, for it had been on the occasion, no doubt several lives would have been lost.

The *China Times* has the following notes from Wei-hai-wei:—The Pei Yang Squadron, during the recent bad weather (16th inst.) had to leave Port Arthur and make for Tsing-hai Bay, as the ironclads which were anchored outside were making bad weather of it. H.L.M.S. *Wei Yang* arrived here from Cheloo on the 20th, and left on 28th for Ta-kiu-hua with rice for the fleet. The transport *Les Yunes* is daily expected with the first lot of 800 troops for Wei-hai district.

THE attention of the British community in Shanghai is called by the *Courier* to an advertisement having reference to the celebration of the Jubilee of H. M. Queen Victoria, on the 21st June next. It is proposed that on the afternoon of that day the British community shall entertain the whole foreign community and the Chinese officials at a garden party on the ground of the British Consulate, from 4.30 to 6.30 o'clock. Lists for those who are willing to subscribe to the cost of that celebration have been provided.

The following is the latest information in the home papers regarding the sleeping man in London:—Chaufau, the sleeping man, after having completed just a fortnight of his remarkable sleep, opened his eyes on Saturday morning, 6th May, and gave every indication of a returned consciousness. He still slept when Mr. Bougert called him to wake up, and he obeyed the order, not in the automaton-like manner of the catatonic patient, but as an ordinary man. He shook hands with Mr. Bougert, and attempted to speak, but found that, as usual, his sleep had been followed by an attack of drowsiness, and he continued himself with expressing his wish to write. He wrote that he was thirty, and asked for some milk, which was given to him. He was then told to put down his choice for dinner, and he asked for chicken, half a bottle of wine, and coffee. These were brought to him, and he made a good meal. He recognized Mr. Bougert at once, and on Dr. Kauer interrogating him, gave him a short account of his condition during his trance, so far as he could recollect. The doctor asked what had excited his frequent day-dreaming, and he shrugged his shoulders and wrote, "I never attain the least recollection of what I do or see during my hypnotic sleep." Chaufau had perfectly every word that is spoken, and avowed great interest in the conversation that goes on. When asked if he is in pain he points to his head, and adds, "I have now completely recovered from the longest sleep that he has hitherto experienced."

In noting the departure from Bangkok of Captain A. J. Luban, hydrographer to H. M. the King of Siam, on nine months after seventeen years' service, the *Bangkok Times* says that the King has graciously rewarded Captain Luban with a grant of some valuable concessions, to work which a powerful English company will long be formed in London.

At the conclusion of the performance at the Lyceum Theatre, Shanghai, on Thursday night, the 12th instant, Mr. Sheridan, who had concluded the house by his appearance as a Chinaman in the treasury of the scene from *Il Furetore*, came before the curtain in response to a unanimous call, and in a short speech thanked the public for the patronage he and his Company had received during their visit to Shanghai, and expressed his intention of returning here from Japan for another season, to add attractions. The audience was delighted with a performance which had proceeded with unabated gaiety for some three-and-a-half hours.—N.C.D. News.

The Dutch Government contemplated the construction of a railway on the island of Sumatra, from Mecca Klakah on the Bay of Brandwans, on the west coast, passing through Fort de Hook, the seat of the Dutch Government, for the purpose of utilizing the coalfields situated along the river Umban, which were discovered about twenty years ago.

The cost is stated to be about the best English coal, and is estimated at 240,000,000 florins. The work on the railway is to extend over six years, and the cost will be about 16,000,000 florins. It is believed that the working of the coalfields will yield a annual profit of 600,000 florins, and render Dutch India independent as regards the supply of coal.

In a case which was recently heard in Peking, it appears that some of the officers of the Supreme Court there, who are not under security, are entrusted with the property of litigants. This has led to a suit, losing jewellery to the value of \$2,000, which is to be returned to those who have paid them, on presentation of their bills of registration, a discretionary power to this end having been given to Her Majesty's Minister.

The following is from a sermon preached by the Right Rev. Bishop G. E. Moule, D. D., in Norwich Cathedral on the C. M. S. Anniversary, Sept. 4th, 1886:—

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